CHAPTER NO. 423

HOUSE BILL NO. 698

By Representatives Pleasant, Todd, Baird

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1627

By Senators Norris, Kilby, Burks, Kurita

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, relative to handgun carry permits.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(b), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(b) Except as provided in subsection (r), any resident of Tennessee who is a United States citizen or permanent lawful resident, as defined by § 55-50-102(30), who has reached twenty-one (21) years of age may apply to the department of safety for a handgun carry permit. If the applicant is not prohibited from purchasing or possessing a firearm in this state pursuant to § 39-17-1316 or § 39-17-1307(b), 18 U.S.C. § 922(g) or any other state or federal law and the applicant otherwise meets all of the requirements of this section, the department shall issue a permit to the applicant.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 28, 2005

JIIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 17th day of June 2005

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR